ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF OMPHALOCERA OCCIDENTALIS B. AND BENJ. (LEPID., PYRALIDÆ, PYRALINÆ)

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Omphalocera occidentalis B. and Benj.

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Described from a holotype &, Clark County, Nevada, 24-30 June, and 1 & paratype, High Rolls, New Mexico.

A fine pair have been received from Mr. Tom Spalding, taken at Eureka, Utah, July 4. The female is very similar to the male in coloration and maculation.

A NEW SPECIES OF PLASTOCERIDÆ IN THE GENUS EUTHYSANIUS (COLEOPTERA)

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In 1853 Dr. John L. LeConte established the genus *Euthysanius* and described the species *lautus* as the type of the genus. In 1866 he described the species *pretiosus*, which was the second of the two species in this genus. These descriptions are brief and rather inadequate because important morphological characters are ignored. The genitalia of these species, for example, have valuable characters which may be utilized in separating them. Some of the recent workers in coleopterology have failed to base their descriptions upon definite morphological characters and as a result their descriptions are almost worthless. It seems much safer to work with many morphological characters than to split up groups and make new species on a few variable characters.

Euthysanius blaisdelli Tanner, sp. nov.

(Figs. 2, 4, 7, 8 and 11)

Material studied: Three males, collected by the writer and Mr. Angus M. Woodbury in Zion National Park, Utah, August, 1925.

Male. General color a rather light brown. Length, 17-19 mm. Head broader than long; dorsal side pubescent and punctate; ventral with a few small setæ; maxillary palpi about half as long as the head, with long setæ at the distal end of each article; mandibles